



Name of person
completing this recommendation: _____

Address: _____

Relation to Applicant: _____ Date: _____

To the Applicant: Please enter your name in the space immediately below, and give a stamped envelope addressed to the Quellen Spiritual Direction Formation Program to your reference so that they may send it directly to us.

To the person completing this recommendation:

_____ is applying for admission to the Quellen Spiritual Direction Formation Program. This program is an intensive, advanced program in a specialized area of ministry. Those applying for admission into this Program should be above average in personal and ministerial maturity and be capable of engaging in a demanding program of theological study. The responsibilities of spiritual direction are serious. Those who participate in this program need a high level of spiritual maturity and competence. You can assist us in our selection of applicants by taking the time to respond to the following items. Please rate the applicant on each item using a scale of 1 to 10 [10 being the highest or N/A if not applicable]. If you have any other comments or would like to supplement your ratings, please use the space provided at the end or append an additional page. Once the Admissions Committee has read your evaluation, it will be destroyed.

Intellectually

_____ satisfactory achievement in prior religious studies

_____ manifest ability to think independently and be challenged by difficult areas of concentration

_____ has the ability to articulate, question, discuss and challenge

_____ has an eager attitude toward reflection, study, and research

Ministerially

_____ shows potential for openness to growth

_____ has satisfactory interpersonal relationships

_____ has the ability to work well with groups

_____ has the ability to deal with persons on a one-to-one basis

_____ satisfactory demonstration of responsible behavior

_____ satisfactory demonstration of responsible leadership potential

_____ has vision of ministry in spiritual direction that would embrace a variety of lifestyles and geographic locations as well as a variety of persons: men, women, educated and uneducated; middle class, poor and marginalized, and different religions.

Psychologically

_____ is open, honest and frank in relationships with peers

_____ is open, honest and frank with persons in positions of leadership

_____ demonstrates maturity of thought, attitudes and feelings

_____ has regard for persons and their development and growth as well as one's own personal growth

_____ has the ability to talk about one's feelings

_____ has the ability to stop talking about one's feelings

_____ has a self-confidence radiated rather than asserted

_____ has potential for change of attitudes, ways of living, ideas, and ways of relating to people

Spiritually

_____ shows evident faith dimension in her/his life

_____ has ability to talk about his/her faith life

_____ shows stability in her/his life's vocation

_____ shows an eagerness to grow in prayer and in relation to God

Physically

_____ satisfactory condition of health

_____ demonstrates physical stamina

Further Comments

Would you send others to this candidate for spiritual direction after the candidate completes the program? Why or why not?

Do you have any additional observations, comments, or concerns?

Please return this form as soon as possible to the:

Quellen Spiritual Direction Formation Program
c/o Sr. Teresa Marie Skierkowski, SCC
350 Bernardsville Road
Mendham, NJ 07945

Signature _____ Date _____